

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1162  
By Naifeh

A RESOLUTION to commend Alison Ross Wickizer for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Alison Ross Wickizer is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Speaker Jimmy Naifeh; Ms. Wickizer's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, born on July 8, 1981, in Talihina, Oklahoma, she is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Stephen Wickizer of Frederick, Maryland and the sister of Stephanie Jill Wickizer, a student at the University of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, this brilliant young lady graduated as Salutatorian of the Class of 1999 at Middletown High School in Maryland and attended Tulane University before transferring to the University of Tennessee in Knoxville; and

WHEREAS, she is highly regarded by her peers, Ms. Wickizer has achieved academic success while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, such as Phi Alpha Delta Pre-Law Fraternity and Golden Key International Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, having previously lived on Chocktaw and Cherokee Indian Reservations in Oklahoma and North Carolina, she has been active in the civic and community endeavors throughout her life and once donated twelve inches of her hair to Locks of Love; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wickizer will graduate Summa Cum Laude on May 8, 2004, and she has received a graduate fellowship to attend the prestigious Marshall-Wythe Law School at the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Ms. Wickizer brought her many abilities

and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2004 session of the One Hundred Third General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2004 legislative session, Ms. Wickizer has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern, and her wonderful personality has been a true blessing to her office, bringing much laughter to those who have been lucky enough to work alongside her; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wickizer has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Alison Ross Wickizer for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Speaker Naifeh and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.